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Japanese Communists Urge Rise Against Occupation PROTESTS AGAINST SCAP

Tokyo, July 29.

An Allied express, carrying Allied troops and occupation force members, was derailed one station south of Kure, near BCOF headquarters, shortly before five o'clock this morning. Sabotage is suspected.

Typhoon Damage In Canton

The typhoon which missed Hong Kong and swept past Canton on Tuesday night caused three deaths and injury to more than 10 others in Canton. Several houses collapsed.

Canton experienced heavy rain and wind of gale force from 9 a.m. until the next morning, according to reports yesterday from the Kwangtung capital.

Electric cables were torn apart, throwing the whole city into darkness for several hours. Telephone poles were uprooted.

Telephonic communications between Canton and outlying districts were also disrupted.

Relief For Cheung Chau Island

Relief foodstuffs were sent to Cheung Chau Island yesterday for 54 people made homeless by Tuesday's tidal wave, which sank 71 junks.

The relief goods, including 1,000 lb. of rice, 345 lb. of meat, 40 lbs. of milk and 30 lb. of peanut oil, were donated by the Hong Kong Social Welfare Officer, Mr. J.C. McDougall.

Fifteen junks have been salvaged since the tidal wave and towed to alipways for repairs. Some wrecks were still floating on the harbour yesterday.

Two hundred craft were in Cheung Chau harbour when the tidal wave struck, but most of the crews were sheltering ashore.

Fifty-four people who lost their boats are now staying with friends. They lost all their belongings.

2 Hurt In Junk Piracy

Two persons were wounded when a fishing junk was attacked yesterday morning after one hour's sailing from Aberdeen.

According to the report received, a fishing junk, with a crew of 13, left Aberdeen at about 6 a.m.

Shortly after 7 a.m., it was noticed that two other junks, with sails hoisted, were bearing down on the fishing junk, which changed its course in an attempt to escape from its pursuers.

The two pursuing junks opened fire on the fishing junk, which was eventually overtaken and robbed by the pirates.

The wounded were Lai Ng, 19, and Lai To, 12.

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Americans in Yokohama have ordered the arrest of striking railway ringleaders and are investigating reports that a switch was forced open to derail the Allied express "Dixie Limited." The American order for arrest of the ringleaders was followed by the posting of a Communist manifesto urging all workers to rise against the occupation.

General MacArthur's new ruling curbing Government workers' unions resulted also in a second resignation from his staff. Paul Stanchfield, deputy chief of SCAP's labour division said he was returning to the United States.

Twenty-four hours earlier, James S. Kilien, chief of the Labour Division, resigned, saying he was unable to "adjust myself to the new SCAP labour policy which denies Government workers the right to collective bargaining."

Never before have any SCAP subordinates left in protest against his policies.

No casualties were reported in the express derailment, but the engine was overturned and the baggage car and mail car derailed.

In handbills distributed through factories and posted on billboards, the Communist Party said "this is the time for all workers to rise up for the prevention of enslavement and the colonisation of the race, and for protection of the livelihood of the workers."

"Suppression Of Working Class"

The manifesto said that collective bargaining and the right to strike were fundamental rights recognised in democratic constitutions. No one could infringe upon such rights. If they did, they were violating the spirit of the Potsdam Declaration and the 18 points of the Allied Commission's principles.

Referring to General MacArthur's letter to the Prime Minister, Mr. Hiroshi Ashida, the manifesto declared the next move would be the suppression of the working class, headed by railroad employees and electrical industries employees.

"Dear Workers," the manifesto concluded. "We must be united into one. We, the Communist Party, promise you to start the opposition movement together with you."

The British authorities at Kure, giving further details of the derailment of the "Dixie Limited," said it was southbound from Kure. At the third tunnel from

Railways Hampered

The line will be out of operation for the next 20 hours.

The Kyoto news service at noon today reported that railway services throughout the country continued to be greatly hampered as the result of an increasing number of local stoppages by railway workers.

In Niigata, north-west of Tokyo, freight trains had been cut by 30 per cent. In the northern island of Hokkaido, workers continued to refuse to contact stations, causing 150 freight cars to be suspended.

On the island of Shikoku, three passenger trains and one freight train were suspended because of the mass absenteeism of workers.

Five hundred thousand workers will demonstrate in downtown Tokyo on August 16 against the proposed anti-strike legislation, trade union leaders disclosed today.

"Union Rights"

The leaders of the "Zanbatsu," pro-Communist Labour Federation, comprising 2,400,000 government workers, predicted that workers would stage regional strikes to defend their "union rights."

They added that the "Zanbatsu" would not consider General MacArthur's request for a prohibition of strikes by government workers as an order, as the government had done, but as a "dictatorship of a private nature."

Nearly 2,500 professors from Japanese colleges and universities went on strike yesterday despite the Cabinet Ministers' warning that they are flouting General MacArthur's order for ending Government employees to strike.

The first strikers were 2,000 faculty members of the state-operated Kyushu University at Fukuoka, who planned to be away from their posts for 24 hours. — Reuters, Associated Press, United Press and Agence France-Press.

Rice Crop Threatened By Yangtze Floods

Kiukiang, July 29.

Rising flood waters along the Yangtze River today threatened the second rice harvest of this fertile river valley.

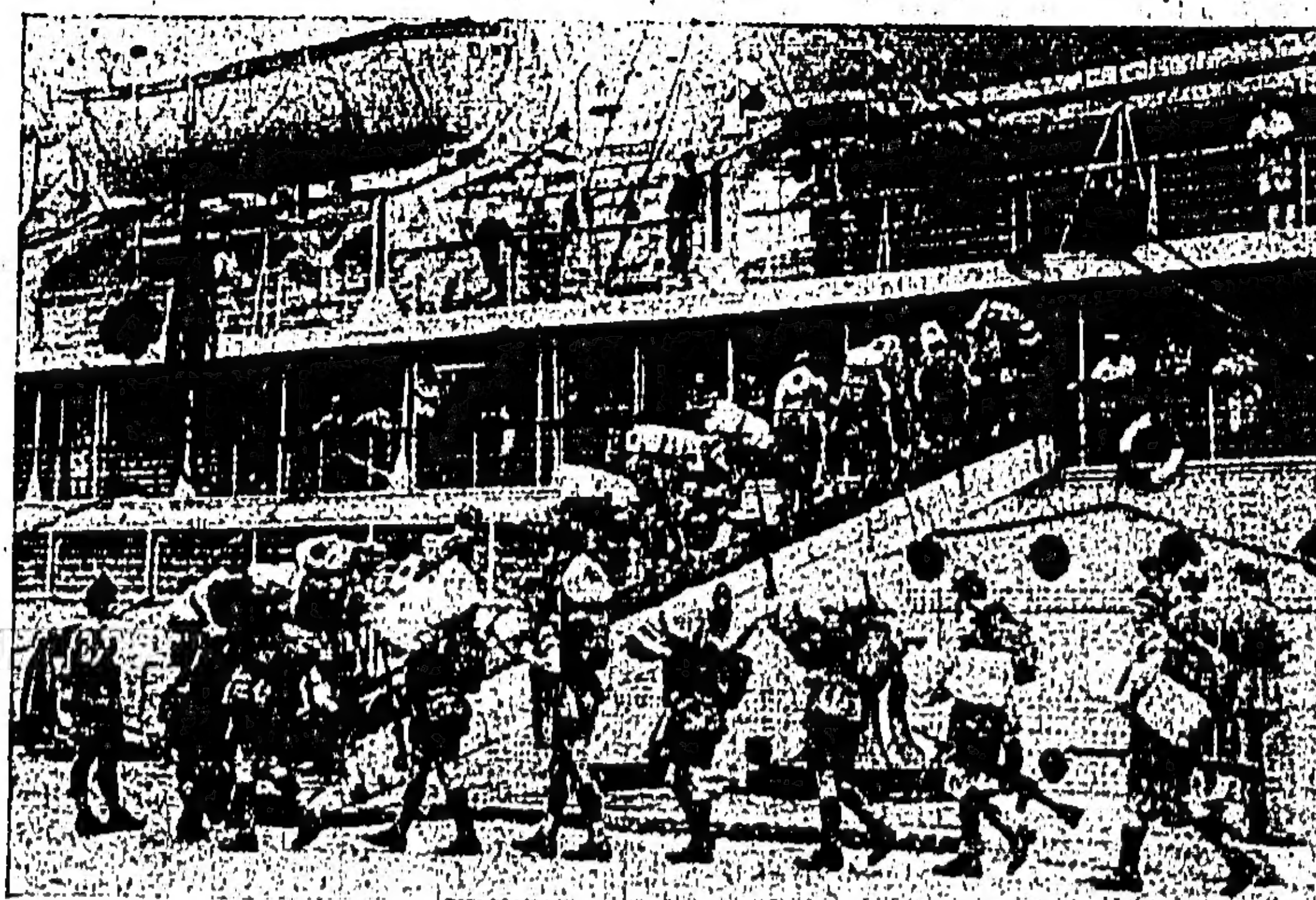
One harvest has been wiped out already. The farmers were ready to reap it nearly a month ago when the Yangtze overflowed its banks and deposited countless thousands of farmers along the lower and middle reaches, leaving them cropless.

The second harvest of the year is due in November, but the flood must recede within a month from now to give time for sowing.

And the civil authorities of Kiukiang, watching the still rising yellow waters, doubt if time will be on their side.

The first two days the swollen river notched up several inches of flood on Kiukiang's marooned waterfront. The best estimates are that the flood is at 11 feet, and is reported higher at Hankow.

Sampans plying through the gates of the biggest building on Kiukiang's waterfront—the State of the Yangtze—by an



INNISKILLING Fusiliers boarding the troopship Lancashire yesterday. They will temporarily reinforce personnel fighting insurgents in Malaya.—China Mail Photo.

Premier's Bitter Attack On Communists

Nanking, July 29.

Premier Wong Wan-hao, in one of the most outraged denunciations of the Chinese Reds heard in Nanking, today charged them with being stooges of the Communist International and called on a stronger united China against the "liars" and "traitors." The Premier issued the statement with the purpose of drawing the attention of the nation to the seriousness of the conflict in China.

He said, "It is not a civil war nor an inter-party conflict. It is a struggle to preserve the existence of China—a struggle for national independence and salvation."

The Premier appealed to all his countrymen to "clearly distinguish between right and wrong" and co-operate with the Government in the battle against Communism.

He also appealed to all those "dragged by the Communist propaganda into joining the Communist bandwagon to quit immediately" and help the Government reconstruct the war-torn country as loyal citizens.

Wong promised that all those who abandoned Communism would receive full protection and all rights of citizenship guaranteed by the constitution.

Wong added also that the Chinese Communists do not have nationalism and their demand for a coalition government in China "is merely a smoke screen and they are liars when they avow liberation of capitalism and promotion of the interests of the farmers."

Wong recalled that the Communist parties in nine European nations issued a joint statement denouncing the Marshall plan, seeking to sabotage the recovery programme.

"In China the Chinese Communists followed the same line, and subsequently they started, just as the Chinese Government in China, to arrive in China, and anti-American movement in Chinese schools."

Wong's statement carefully avoided direct mention of Moscow but strongly rapped at the Cominform.—United Press.

Following the posting up of the Notice, a party of police was placed on duty inside the premises.

The HK\$5,000,000 capitalised Tean Ho Bank, which was incorporated in Hong Kong on September 24 1946, closed its doors to clients and depositors on August 6, 1947.

The capital was divided into 50,000 shares of HK\$100 each. Most of the depositors were Chinese at the working class.

The bank had branches or agents in Canton, Shanghai, Chungking, Kuning, Wuchow and Hongkong.

Of the 50,000 shares, 40,000 were issued and called up to the extent of HK\$4,000,000. The largest shareholder was Mr. Pang Binsing, of Hong Kong, (11,000 shares), followed by Pang Kailan, of Canton (4,000 shares), Pin Kee of Wuchow (4,000 shares), and King Kee of Kwailin (3,000 shares). The rest of the shareholders held shares ranging from a few hundred to 1,000.

Major Pang Bin-chin, Pin Kee and Pang Kailan were also directors of the bank.

Several of the shareholders were in Singapore, West Borneo, Sumatra, Batavia, India, Swatow, Shanghai and Taiwan.

PICTURE OF THE DAY GOING TO MALAYA

REINFORCEMENTS FOR MALAYA SAIL TODAY

At 1.45 yesterday afternoon, the First Battalion Inniskilling Fusiliers began to embark on the troopship Lancashire on the first stage of their journey to the United Kingdom. The First Battalion, which is made up of five Companies comprising about 600 men, were all on board by the middle of the afternoon.

They remained on the ship last night. They will not be allowed off until they reach Singapore where they will be stationed temporarily until the Malayan situation improves.

The Lancashire has a total passenger list of 1,100. Apart from the Inniskilling, she is carrying 500 Naval, Army and R.A.F. personnel who are returning home on demobilisation, repatriation, or to attend military courses. They will embark from 8 a.m. onwards this morning until the ship's sailing time at 4 p.m. today. The ship is due to reach Singapore late on Tuesday evening or Wednesday morning.

Yesterday afternoon, at the North Arm of the Naval Dockyard, troops going on board were supplied with tea and cakes by members of the W.V.S. who had set up a small stall at the side of the ship's gangway. This will be the first time since the re-occupation of the Colony that a troopship has sailed from the Dockyard, as they usually berth in Kowloon. This afternoon, the Regimental Band of the 2nd Buffs Regiment will play military tunes as the ship's moorings are loosed and she sails into the Harbour.

GOC's Farewell

The G.O.C. Major-General Matthews will be present at the departure and will exchange farewells with the Officer-in-Charge of the Battalion, Major Cunningham.

The First Battalion arrived in Hong Kong on August 22 last year. They previously saw service in this particular locality of the Far East between 1934 and 1936, when they were stationed in Shanghai and paid a visit to Hong Kong to play football against the Irish Regiment.

The battalion is under the command of Lieutenant-Colonel D.M. Shaw, DSO, MC, who will fly to Singapore next week. On their voyage to Singapore the men will be in charge of Major Grimshaw.

Battle At Airport

Nine men, armed with crowbars and clubs, fought a pitched battle with the London airport police today in a daring but futile attempt to rob the airport gold bullion warehouse.

All nine were captured. Scotland Yard, apparently tipped off, had four squadrons of officers waiting around the shed when the gang drove up in a black truck.

Passengers alighting from the plane from Brazil watched the fight. Nine police were injured. — United Press.

CAT Plane Crash Kills 19

Shanghai, July 29.

Nineteen people were killed late this afternoon when a C-40 airliner, belonging to Major-General Chien Hsiang-shan's Civil Air Transport, crashed after a take-off in Tsingtau, Chinese naval base.

This is the first major accident involving General Chien's air line, which, after the famed "Flying Tigers" wartime activities, entered Chinese aviation as one of the three airlines operating domestically.

The plane was carrying an American pilot, Captain Tarbot, a Chinese co-pilot, a Chinese radio operator and 16 passengers. It is believed here tonight that there were no survivors.

The plane went into a spin after reaching 100 feet and then came crashing down, killing all.

General Chien, on receipt of the news, ordered an immediate investigation.—Reuters.

The Weather

Pressure continues low over Mongolia and China and is also relatively low over the Pacific to the east of the Philippines. The ridge of high pressure from the Pacific anticyclone persists across Japan to Formosa.

Today's Forecast: Light or moderate southerly winds, cloudy with occasional rain.

Yesterday's Weather: Maximum: 87 deg. F. Minimum: 75.5 deg. F. Sunshine: 1.5 hours.

Rainfall: Trace. Total since Jan. 1: 1479.9 mm. = 58.24 in. as against an average of 1315.5 mm. = 51.8 in.

Baro. at sea level: 1009.9/1009.7 m.b. Rain. Humidity: 75.5 deg. F. Dew Point: 75.5 deg. F. Wind Direction: S.W. by S. Wind Force: 5 to 10 knots. High: 1016.2 ft. Low: 1000.0 ft.



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(d) Hollywood Road, between Queen's Road West, and the entrance to Central Police Station, is closed to West bound traffic.

COMMISSIONER OF POLICE.

28th July, 1948.

MARINE DEPARTMENT NOTIFICATION

FOR INFORMATION OF SHIP OPERATORS AND CHARTERERS

It is hereby notified that Tuesday, 27th July, 1948, has been declared a Weather-non-Working day.

J. JOLLY, Director of Marine.

Marine Department, Hong Kong, 28th July, 1948.

DEPARTMENT OF IMPORTS & EXPORTS NOTICE

This Department will be closed on Monday, the 2nd of August, 1948 for all purposes except for entry and clearance of ships' manifests between 9.00 a.m. and 10.00 a.m.

E. HIMSWORTH, Superintendent, Imports & Exports.

Dated: 28th July, 1948.

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The Exchange Banks will be closed for the transaction of public business on Monday, the 2nd August, 1948. (The first Monday in August).

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LANE, CRAWFORD, LIMITED

NOTICE is hereby given that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held on Thursday, 20th August, 1948, at the Jacobean Room in the Hong Kong Hotel, Pedder Street, Victoria, in the Colony of Hong Kong, immediately following the Ordinary Yearly Meeting which will be held at noon on the same day and at the same place for the purposes of considering and if thought fit, passing the following resolution as an Ordinary Resolution.

"That the Authorised Capital of the Company be increased from its present present capital of \$1,000,000 divided into 100,000 shares of \$10 each (of which 75,000 shares have been issued) to \$2,500,000 by the creation of 150,000 additional shares of the nominal value of \$10 each, and that the unissued shares of the Company's capital and such additional shares as aforesaid, shall be issued at such time or times and upon such terms and conditions as the Company's Board of Directors in their absolute discretion shall think fit."

NOTICE is also given that if the above Resolution is duly passed it is the present intention of the Directors to close the Register of Members for a period of six days from 13th September to 18th September 1948, both days inclusive. The Directors will offer the persons appearing in the Register of Members on the 13th September 1948, 75,000 shares of the Company of the nominal value of \$10 each, out of the unissued capital of the Company at par and on the footing that the full nominal value of each share taken up shall be paid in full on acceptance of the offer and in any case not later than the 30th November, 1948, and so that each such person as aforesaid or his approved nominee shall be entitled to apply for and take up one new share for every one issued share which according to the Register of Members as aforesaid is held by such person on the 13th September 1948, the shares so offered shall rank for dividend as from the 1st December 1948.

The offer will be made by notice sent by post to each such person as aforesaid signifying the number of shares to which each such person is entitled and such offer if not accepted either on behalf of such person or his approved nominee on or before the 30th November 1948, will be deemed to be declined.

It is important that any persons who have purchased shares in the Company but whose names do not appear in the Register of Members as aforesaid if they wish to take advantage of the offer, present their transfers for registration accompanied by the requisite share certificates as soon as possible and in any event not later than 11th September 1948.

NOTICE is also hereby given that at the above Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company the following resolution will be considered and if thought fit passed as a special Resolution:

"That Article No. 88 of the Company's Articles of Association shall be altered by deleting the figures '1,000' contained in the fourth line thereof and substituting therefor the figures '2,400'."

Article No. 88 of the Company's Articles of Association, if the Resolution is passed, will then read as follows:

"Each Director (other than a Managing Director) shall be paid by way of remuneration for his services the sum of \$2,400 per annum and such further sums (if any) as the Company in General Meeting shall from time to time determine."

By Order of the Board of Directors.

PEAT MARWICK MITCHELL & CO., Secretaries and Accountants.

Hong Kong, 29th July, 1948.

LANE, CRAWFORD, LIMITED

Notice is hereby given that the 22nd Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders of Lane, Crawford, Limited, will be held at the Jacobean Room in the Hong Kong Hotel, Pedder Street, Hong Kong, on Thursday, 20th August, 1948, at noon, for the purpose of receiving the Company's Accounts for the year ended 29th February, 1948, and the Directors' and Auditors' Reports thereon; to sanction the payment of dividends; to re-elect a Director; and to re-appoint Auditors.

The Share Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from 12th to 28th August 1948, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

PEAT MARWICK MITCHELL & CO., Secretaries and Accountants.

Hong Kong, 29th July, 1948.

HONG KONG TRAMWAYS LIMITED MONTHLY TICKETS

Monthly Ticket holders can travel on any tramcar and on any route during the month of issue; there are no restrictions on the number of journeys taken.

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New tickets for passengers not holding a ticket for the present month can be obtained only at the Traffic Office, Canal Road East, on and after 1st July.

Existing tickets can be renewed at the Traffic Office, Canal Road East, on the 28th, 27th July and from 1st August.

Tickets may also be renewed at Queen's Building, Connaught Road Entrance, near Star Ferry, on 28th, 29th, 30th and 31st July.

V. WALKER, Acting General Manager. 24th July, 1948.

NOTICE

ASSOCIACAO PORTUGUESA DE SOCCORROS MUTUOS

Members are hereby notified that under Article 29, the Annual General Meeting convened for Wednesday, the 28th instant and not held owing to a quorum not being present, stands adjourned to Wednesday, the 4th August, 1948, at the same time and place.

C. E. XAVIER, Hon. Secretary. Hong Kong, 29th July, 1948.

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COMPANIES (RE-CONSTRUCTION OF RECORDS) ORDINANCE, 1947

Re-Construction of the Register of Members.

The Hongkong and Canton Ice Manufacturing Company, Limited (hereafter called "the Company") has applied to the Registrar of Companies for leave to reconstruct its Register of Members, under Section 12 (1) of the Companies (Re-Construction of Records) Ordinance, 1947.

The Statutory Declaration in support of the application and the exhibits thereto (being lists of persons who it is believed are entitled to be registered as shareholders of the Company) can be inspected, on payment of the prescribed fees, in the office of the Registrar of Companies, Supreme Court, Hong Kong. A copy of the Statutory Declaration and the exhibits thereto may also be inspected at the Company's Registered Office, Windsor House, Des Voeux Road Central, Victoria, Hong Kong, during ordinary business hours.

All persons who claim to be entitled to be registered as shareholders of the Company are hereby required to notify the Company of their FULL NAMES and ADDRESSES, their claim and the evidence upon which it is based WITHIN THREE MONTHS from the 30th day of July, 1948.

Persons who hold Share Certificates and Instruments of Transfer in respect thereof (if any) are requested to produce them at the Company's Registered Office if this has not already been done. Shareholders who have lost their Share Certificates and have not already notified the Company of their loss and given full particulars thereof are requested to write to the Company giving all known particulars of the lost Certificates and the circumstances of the loss, when further information will be given as to other evidence required.

All notifications and communications must be sent to the Company addressed to its Registered Office, Windsor House, Des Voeux Road Central, Victoria, Hong Kong.

By order of the Board: G. MILNE, Secretary.

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SATURDAY, JULY 31 Closing Times By Air

Canton, (Kowloon G.P.O.) 7.30 a.m., 10 a.m., 12.30 p.m., 5 p.m.; (G.P.O.) 7 a.m., 9.30 a.m., Noon, 2.30 p.m. Airmail for Shanghai, (Reg.) 9 a.m. (Ord.) 9.30 a.m. Airmail for Shanghai, Nanking, Hankow, Tientsin and Peiping: Airmail for Amoy and Fuchow, (Reg.) 8 p.m. (Ord.) 8.30 p.m. Airmail for Swatow and Tainan, (Reg.) 8 p.m. (Ord.) 8.30 p.m.

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GIVES HIM THE COUNT

DOUBLING an opponent's contract helps him in several ways. Besides locating either the bunched trump which may hurry him, or the high cards not otherwise placed, it may enable him to count your entire hand, if he is a good imaginative card-reader. It may therefore put him in position to build an entire plan for the play of every suit, quite different from what he would have done if there had been no doubling.

Hence, upon winning the third trick with the heart A, he scored the club Q, ruffed the diamond 10, used the club A and K for two heart discards, ruffed the club 7 to clear that suit, took his holdings and East's, led the heart K, ruffed the diamond Q in dummy, obliging East to over-trump with the spade 7 and thus compelled that unfortunate to lead back a spade. He picked the Q, which East had to play from his spade J-9 before South's A-10, being end-played for the last two tricks.

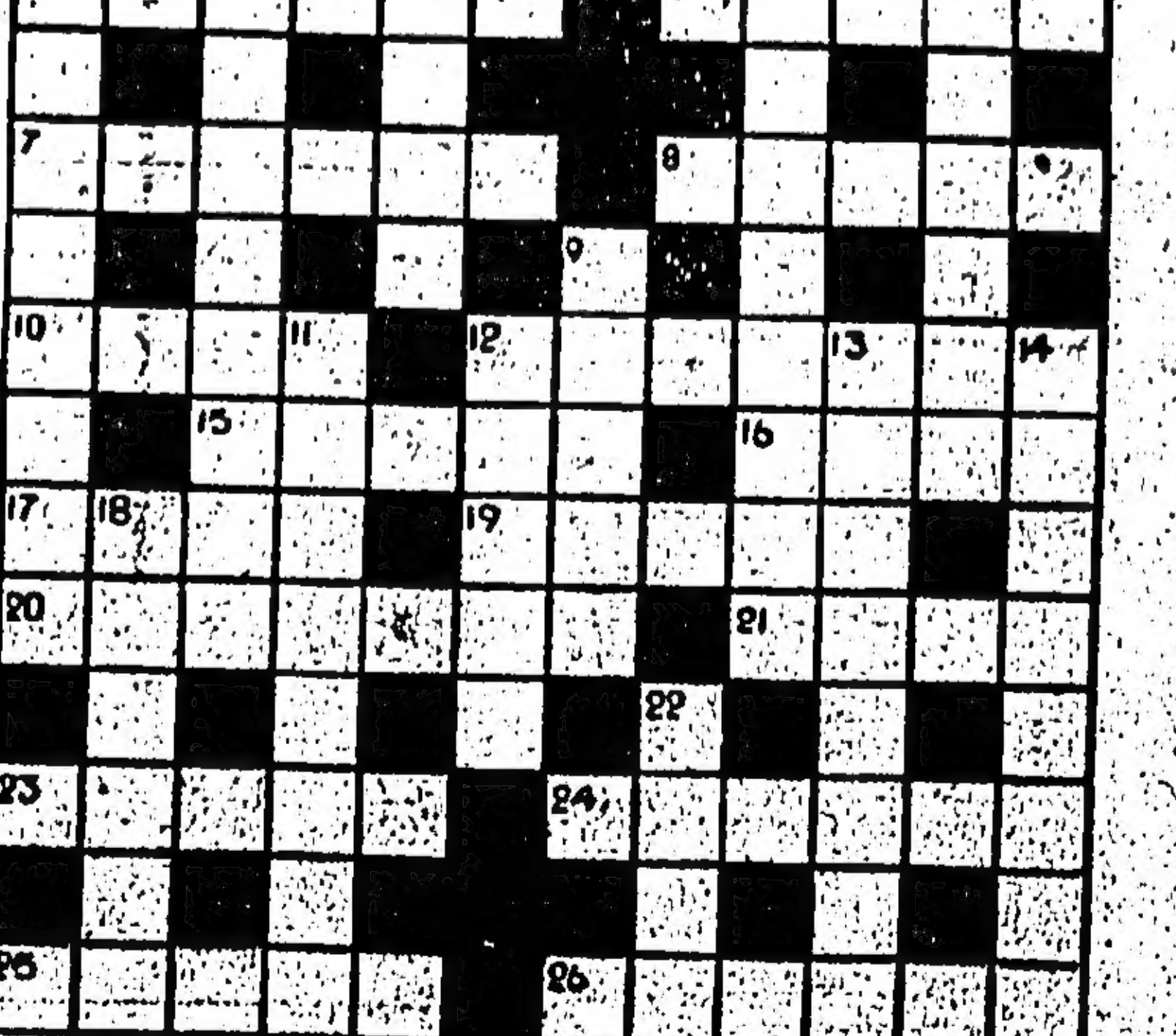
Tomorrow's Problem

S. Q J 8 5
H. 10 8 3
D. 8 7 5
C. A 2
S. 10 2
H. A 6 4
D. A J 10
C. J 7 5
S. A K 6 4
H. K 9
D. Q 9 6
C. K Q 10 4

(Dealer: North. Neither side vulnerable.)

What is the correct defence to hold North to exactly his contract of 2-Spades?

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Clues Across

1. Fight, 10. Uniform, 11. Essential, 12. Rains, 13. Clever, 14. Heavily, 15. Turns aside, 16. Blotting, 17. Resides, 18. Out, 19. Temporarily, 20. Parle, 21. Merchandise, 22. Merited, 23. Writing, 24. Volume, 25. down.

Clues Down

1. Unchanging, 2. Merry, 3. Acute, 4. Mock, 5. Color, 6. Buller, 7. Endure, 10. Tender, 14. Ocho, 15. Pirates, 16. Repeat, 17. Simple, 20. Pupil, 21. Health, 22. Trip, 23. Ende.

COMMUNIST STARTS UPROAR IN COMMONS DEBATE ON MALAYA

REDS "MURDERED" BY AUTHORITIES

London, July 28. The Communist Member of Parliament, Mr. Philip Piratin, caused an uproar in the Commons today when he asked what compensation would be paid to Communists "murdered by authorities" in Malaya.

His question arose from a reply by the Under-Secretary for Colonies, Mr. David Rees Williams, about payment of compensation to wives and families of planters and other persons murdered in recent outbreaks in Malaya.

The Speaker, Douglas Clifton Brown, called upon Mr. Piratin to withdraw the word "murdered", pointing out that the authorities in Malaya were "our people".

When the other Communist member of the House, William Gallacher, rose, he was greeted with shouts of "sit down". He said to the Speaker: "I agree with you on this particular point but the accusation arises from the fact that members on the other side continually insist that our comrades and colleagues in Malaya are murderers and are committing murders."

Our Own People

"We repudiate that. If they will withdraw their accusation against our comrades, I will advise my colleague to withdraw."

The Speaker: "That is not the point. We may accuse other people of being murderers. Our own people are accused of being murderers—our soldiers and our authorities—these acting under our orders."

"It is not a question of other countries; it is our Britishers who

are being attacked and I must direct Mr. Piratin to withdraw his remark."

Mr. Piratin: "In view of your ruling, may I substitute the word 'killed'?"

The Speaker insisted that the remark must be withdrawn and Mr. Piratin eventually withdrew it.

Responsibility Of Malaya

Sir Thomas Moore, Conservative, had asked whether compensation would be payable to wives and families of planters and other persons murdered in recent outbreaks in Malaya and on what basis.

Mr. Rees Williams replied that the Colonial Secretary would ask the Government of the Federation of Malaya whether any scheme for compensation was proposed.

Mr. Piratin said that in view of the fact that Malays were also British subjects, would the wives and families of Malays who had been murdered by the authorities there, also receive compensation. It was here that the Speaker intervened.

In a more detailed answer to the main question, Mr. Rees Williams said that the primary responsibility for law and order rested on the Government of Malaya and before any scheme of compensation such as was suggested could be entertained, the British Government must have their views upon it.—Reuter.

New York, July 28. Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, chairman of the American section of the Jewish Agency for Palestine, tonight received the first visa for Israel at ceremonies marking the opening of the Israel Consulate in New York.—Associated Press.

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Cambridge, July 28. The fifth highest shade temperature of the century was recorded here today when the thermometer soared to 94.2 degrees Fahrenheit, after the hottest night of the year.

The last time an officially recorded reading rose above this was during 1941, when a freak electrical storm boosted the mercury to 100 degrees in eastern England.

Today's heat wave temperature has been exceeded only in 1906, 1911, 1932 and 1941 since the turn of the century.—Reuter.

Congress Re-Elects Tito

Belgrade, July 28. Marshal Tito, Milovik Jilas and other members of the Central Committee of the Yugoslav Communist Party, arraigned by the recent Cominform resolution, were re-elected members of the committee at the final sitting of the party's fifth congress today.

The Congress passed a resolution stating that the Cominform's criticism of the Yugoslav Communist party was inaccurate, unjust and unjustifiable. The motion, which was carried unanimously, approved the Central Committee's attitude towards the charges preferred by the Lolshevik Party and added that the Yugoslav Communist Party

European Assembly Proposal

Paris, July 28. The National Assembly's Foreign Affairs Committee today approved a proposal tabled by its Chairman, Moderate Deputy M. Edouard Bonnet, aiming at the setting-up of a European Constituent Assembly.

The resolution "invited the French Government urgently to take the initiative in negotiations with the governments of countries prepared to enter a European union with a view to convening a European Assembly consisting of parliamentary representatives."

The aim of this Assembly would be to draft and to proclaim an international declaration of the rights of man, to coordinate measures for putting a European recovery plan into force, to coordinate and complete agreements already reached among the countries belonging to the E.R.P. Commission, and to study and propose every measure likely to strengthen the European Union in all its domains, with the ultimate purpose of drafting a Federal Constitution of democratic countries in Europe.—Agence France-Press.

had not forgotten the principles of Marxism-Leninism. After the voting, the entire audience rose and sang the "Internationale".—Agence France-Press.

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HYDERABAD MAY APPEAL TO UN

New Delhi, July 28. The Nizam of Hyderabad, Muslim ruler of a predominantly Hindu state, is expected shortly, through the medium of Arab countries, to ask United Nations intervention in his dispute with the Government of India.

Already the Nizam has appealed to King George VI of Great Britain, from whom he received in the past the title, "Britain's most faithful ally."

If the dispute comes before the Security Council, the Nizam will probably insist on the fact that, legally, he enjoys all the prerogatives of a real sovereign. The Indian Government is expected to stress the fact that the dispute is purely an internal matter and that Hyderabad is part of India—a state of affairs that has never been recognised by the great Powers.

Before the signing of the agreement with India last November, Hyderabad was a peaceful and well-ordered state, but, shortly afterwards, armed bands, calling themselves "Communists" and supported by advanced Congress elements from India, started a series of attacks against border villages in Hyderabad. These bands were opposed by self-defence groups under the leadership of Muslims. Later, the "Communists" turned against Congress and joined marauding bands of Razakars, whose depredations against Hyderabad have now taken the form of almost daily raids on the territory of Hyderabad, train attacks, the looting of villages and so on. In addition, the Indian Government enforced a strict blockade against Hyderabad.

The Indian Government, however, has hesitated to launch a full-scale attack against Hyderabad, as advocated by some elements in Congress, and is reported to be seeking an amicable settlement of the dispute.—Agence France-Press.

NO SOCIAL REFORMS IN ARMY

Washington, July 28. The United States Army today was firmly behind the established policy of segregation of negroes into separate units from white troops.

General Omar Bradley, Army Chief of Staff, said on the topic, "The Army is not out to make social reforms. The Army will change that policy when the nation as a whole changes it."

Currently a 15-man Civilian Advisory Committee on negro affairs is working on a report of Defence Secretary James Forrestal on segregation in the services.

In New York, Philip Randolph, chairman of the League for non-violent civil disobedience against military segregation, said that under the Presidential edict negroes still will be kept apart from white servicemen. He described the President's order as a "misleading move made for political purposes".—United Press.

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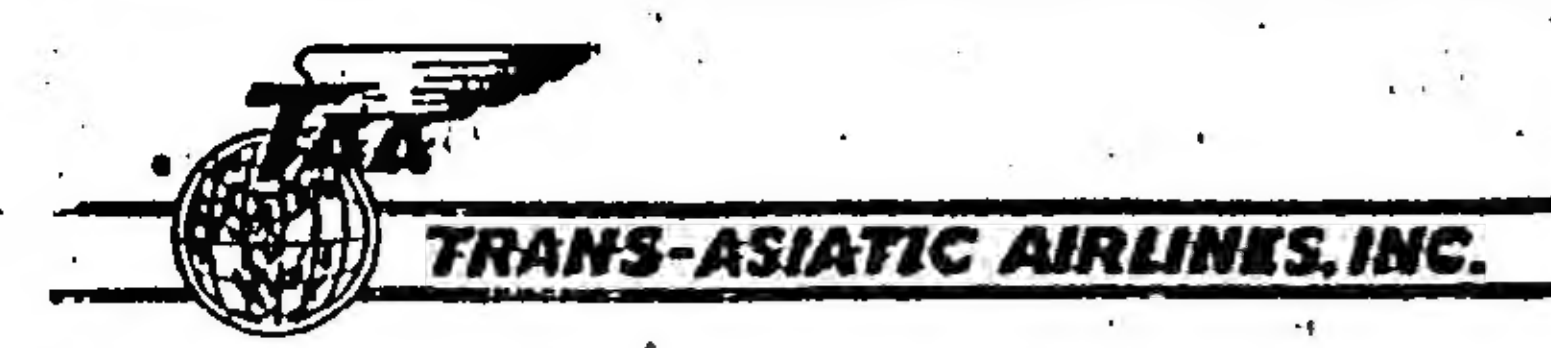
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THE SYRIAN MERCHANTS

Since the Immigration Department regards itself as immune to criticism and free of any requirement to give reasons for its actions, the protest of the "Far Eastern Economic Review" against the exclusion of eight Syrian merchants will probably suffer the fate of all such complaints of the Department's heavy-handed methods. In short, it will be blandly ignored. In the past twelve months, we have ourselves drawn attention to several specific cases of pettiness and injustice, including one instance of a blank refusal to permit a temporary resident of Macao to land in Hong Kong in order to liquidate his business or to get transport to India. The case of the Syrian merchants, therefore, will occasion no surprise: it just happens to be typical of the spirit which appears to guide local officialdom in dealing with foreigners (unless they happen to possess American citizenship papers). But because experience has taught us to expect these things, there is no reason to accept them with resignation. The Syrian 'expulsion' decision—refusal, that is, to grant an extension of their permit to stay in the Colony—is a particularly bad example as all eight are men of some substance, keen men of business, and at least one had the intention, given the opportunity, of making a large investment in the colony by a new enterprise in the industrial line. A year ago, prosperous Hong Kong could possibly have afforded to discourage the development of new business activities, commercial or industrial. Today when the slump is not yet alarming, the business recession is being widely felt, it seems shortsighted indeed to drive finance-capital out of Hong Kong for no better reason than that the power to do so is placed in the hands of a Department which appears to pride itself in out-Molotoving Molotov in negativity. It is suggested that one of the men concerned has taken an interest in Macao gold dealings. Supposing that to be true, it does not justify a blanket treatment of all persons of the same nationality: nor were it shown that all of them had dabbled in it would the decision necessarily be agreed as the right one. It is easy to talk of 'parasites on the community' but there is no evidence of that. On the contrary, the "Economic Review" protest points to the reverse and identifies one of the men concerned as the agent in Hong Kong of 16 United States firms, and another as prominently connected with importing and exporting in the Far East for many years before the war. Mr. Bevin has time and again insisted upon measures for facilitating movements between countries by relaxation of passport regulations, and the Foreign Office has already made valuable improvements along that line. Here in Hong Kong, swamped with Chinese, who can proceed in and out at their own will, cluttering up the city with destitute and squatters, it is still felt necessary to offend foreigners by sticking to the harsh code of an out-worn ordinance which was never designed for the purpose of preventing the free movement of respectable citizens of any nationality—and to entrust the carrying out of its arbitrary powers to officials of Europe. As much as the Germans away towards the Communism of the East, so much will Europe lean with them in that direction rather than turn to the liberalism of the West.

Let us examine, first, in what way Communism can attract them. In Germany there are several elements which, when mixed together, make this problem more complicated than ever. Its two essential aspects are the Communist aspect and the Russian aspect.

It must be recalled that, the war now being over and the possibility being there to establish relations between peoples on a basis other than theft and murder, armed resistance and sabotage have no more reason to exist. On the other hand, the Germans after having wished to inspire terror, now instinctively try to inspire pity. Finally, neither an administrative frame nor political leaders, nor a spiritual force has come along to replace collapsed Nazism. To resist openly under these conditions would be almost inconceivable. But, if one looks more closely, one realizes that, under their apparent submissiveness, the Germans resist in their way. Circumstances and their ruthlessness created this paradox: to resist one side, it is enough to collaborate with the other. When a German collaborator with the Russians, he resists, ipso facto, the Americans. And vice versa. One has very often heard that the Germans have tried to increase the tension which exists between the two chief occupying Powers and, consequently, by or not, have played the role of true provocateur.

Eastern Menace

In receiving an American general in Munich, Dr. Ehard, Minister President of Bavaria, declared recently: "If we are with you, you will be able to face the eastern menace." At the same time, Dr. Pieck, one of the leaders of the Congress of the People, backed by the Soviets, announced in Berlin: "We want a centralised Government where foreign capital will have no role to play." Moreover, it was a German newspaper, the "Taegische Rundschau," which first suggested the departure of the western occupying Powers from Berlin. The Control Council, this newspaper also declared, was of no more use and should be replaced by a centralised German government. Insofar as this proposal met with Russian ideas, revealed a few days later on the same subject, this German journal was collaborating with the Soviet occupation authorities. But was it not resisting the east?

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CHEMICAL WORKS DISASTER

Hundreds Killed In German Explosion

Long-Term View On Producers

London, July 28. The policy of the British Government is to give to primary producers, particularly those in the Commonwealth, long term security rather than merely offers of high prices for their products, the Food Minister, Mr. John Strachey, said today.

Mr. Strachey addressing the Royal African and Royal Empire Societies, said that it was found in actual practice "that security over a number of years appeals far more to primary producers than very high prices for a short period with the threat of ruin at the end of it."

"It is within our Commonwealth that we can most easily carry out the urgent behests of Sir John Boyd Orr and the Food and Agricultural Organisation of the United Nations to increase the world production of food."

"Neither the native people nor the world as a whole will tolerate any failure to develop at the maximum practical rate the vast areas and the vast population over which we have authority."

Shake-Up In Greece Wanted

Athens, July 28. American recommendations for Greek Army reorganisation met stiff opposition in the Greek Supreme Defence Council, it was learned today from authoritative sources.

These sources said that the United States military mission had been asking for the replacement of Lieutenant General Panos Kiliotis, who commanded the six divisions which began the Mount Grammos operation against the Greek guerrillas more than five weeks ago. The operation is now said to be far behind schedule.

The Americans have also requested a shake-up in the Air Ministry, including the replacement of a number of non-flying officers. While highly praising flying personnel the Americans consider the Ministry's direction "ineffective."—Associated Press.

ESCAPEE LEFT A MESSAGE

Frankfurt, July 28. Otto Skorzeny, who organised Mussolini's escape during the war and who, himself, escaped from Darmstadt Internment camp yesterday, left a message to his former adjutant, interned in the same camp, stating that he would shortly send a letter to the de-facto court, which was due to try him, explaining the reasons for his escape.

His former adjutant was reported to have refused to escape with him. — Agency France-Press.

A UNIFIED CURRENCY FOR GERMANY

Berlin, July 28.

Berliners, always observant in these troublesome times, have not failed to notice during the past few days that the new Soviet banknotes are called "Deutsche marks," just the same as the so-called "Clay marks." And, just as the latter do, they bear the word "bank-note."

This similarity in wording has led certain circles to express the opinion that all has

CLOTHES "DOWN POINTED"

London, July 28. Shoes, bathing suits, leather clothing and children's raincoats will come off the clothing ration in Britain on Aug. 9. Announcing this in the House of Commons today, the President of the Board of Trade, Mr. Harold Wilson, said the Government was anxious to abolish clothes rationing completely as soon as circumstances permitted.

There would be no increase in clothes coupons for the next ration period beginning Sept. 1, but a variety of goods such as men's suits, certain materials, sheets and woollen garments had been "down-pointed"—and would require less coupons. A man's suit, for example, will require 20 coupons instead of 25 as at present.—Reuter.

Deadly Gases Generated: Town's Centre Blasted

Ludwigshafen, July 29.

A terrific explosion tore the heart out of the giant sprawling I.G. Farben chemical works yesterday, killing an estimated 600 people and injuring 1,600 others, blasting this Rhine bank town and wreaking havoc in the city of Mannheim across the river.

Rescue workers in gas masks fought their way into the smashed and burning workshops through a dense chemical cloud, said by some to contain deadly phosgene gas. Explosions continued through the night.

Some Frenchmen were among the injured, 1,200 of whom were rushed to hospitals at Ludwigshafen, Mannheim, Heidelberg, Speyer and Karlsruhe.

At 8.00 p.m., huge fires were still raging and many people, trapped in the area, are feared dead in the spreading fires.

The explosion took place in the chloroethyl factory in the works. Whirlwind sirens wailed shortly after the blast shook the area, warning the local people that deadly phosgene gas had been set free.

Ludwigshafen looked as if it had suffered a heavy air raid, with badly injured people streaming by with blood lying in the streets. Extensive fires could be seen in Mannheim across the Rhine immediately after the explosion occurred.

Apart from the police headquarters, Ludwigshafen is cut off from telephone communications with the outside world. The actual centre of the explosion is still inaccessible because of the thick smoke and gases, police headquarters stated.

Fire brigades and police reinforcements were rushed from all parts of the Palatinate and Rhenish-Hesse in the French zone and from Mannheim in the American zone.

French security forces here took part in the fighting and clearance work. People in Mannheim found glass falling in showers about their heads and saw buildings across the river bursting into flame.

Seven Miles Of Destruction

Smoke from the burning buildings billowed over the city, almost obscuring the sun, while bullet-riddled tractors rumbled their way through the shambles in an effort to block the spreading flames, which have already swept through three miles of buildings along the Rhine bank.

A weird, almost ghostly, group of workers, covered by methylated dye to protect them from a vast area by the explosion, were wandering helplessly amid the ruins, dazed and aimless.

They gave no attention at all to the desperate struggle of the American and French zone fire fighting units battling 100-foot flames which threatened to touch off a 400-cubic metre tank of explosive methanol.

A director of the Farben plant, busy co-ordinating the efforts of the fire fighters, estimated that 125 of the huge plant's 600 build-

ings, occupying an area of seven square miles, were destroyed. Still other Germans, held back by French gendarmes and German police, waited forlornly outside the works' entrance in the hope that they might receive word of a father or brother who has not returned home from work.

An eye-witness, who visited the scene afterwards, told Reuters: "All along the way I met with green, yellow, blue or white faces—workers from the Farben works who had been drenched in various colours by the explosion. Many streaming with blood."

Like Atom Bomb

There is not a whole window in Ludwigshafen tonight, and many windows are broken in Mannheim. Many roofs had been taken off by the blast, doors and windows were torn out.

Factory buildings immediately around the site of the blast are heavily damaged. Over the area hangs a caustic smell which caused people to talk of phosgene, and chemists employed by the factory think it may be that.

Rescue squads are working with gas masks and oxygen apparatus. All windows in the area have been issued with gas masks as a precaution.

An American corporal who was at a firing range outside of Mannheim, nine miles from the scene, told Reuters's correspondent that he looked up when he heard the blast and saw a huge mushroom of smoke rising into the sky. "Just like a picture of the atom bomb."

Many minor explosions scattered burning rubble here and there throughout the ravaged area. A German doctor found a man pinned hopelessly beneath wreckage, and out off the man's feet with an ordinary carpenter's saw.

A fireman said that four of 80 men who worked in the machine shop were still alive, trapped in the smouldering buildings.

Gruesome Story

American Army 10-ton trailers at large lorries were being ferried across the Rhine tonight, removing wounded to hospital, while Army lorries and ambulances from Heidelberg and Mannheim were operating a shuttle service across the river.

The French authorities sent husbands of white-capped German nurses and doctors from Kaiserslautern, 20 miles away. An eye-witness told a gruesome story of the headless bodies of victims hanging from the windows of the plant. Other reports said the blast caused a wall of the factory to collapse, crushing an estimated 200 people.

According to plant records, 16 people were working in the buildings when it is thought a spark in the gas filled room ignited the explosive mixture. A Farben official said he believed the explosion originated in the small building used for the manufacture of ethyl chloride. One Farben workman, whose hands were bandaged for burns, said he thought the fire started in an employees' locker room.

Large numbers of people were reported to have had their arteries cut by glass or damaged by the extreme pressure.

Highly inflammable chloroethyl gas is used as a narcotic in surgery and is formed by a combination of alcohol and hydrochloric acid.

Chemical Octopus

Phosgene, a poisonous gas, might have been produced by the explosion through the chlorine and carbon of the chloroethyl combining with the oxygen in the air.

The sprawling Farben "chemical octopus" contributed a great part to the Nazi war machine. Even before 1930, it controlled the total German production of chemical products and about 85 per cent of German synthetic nitrogen.

Later, its complex network of companies achieved even a larger control of production.

Twenty-three of the vast combine's directors are today awaiting verdict in their trial which began last September on charges of taking part in war crimes and giving "substantial and sustained aid" to the Nazi war machine.—Reuter.

Japanese To Build Ships

New York, July 28.

Mr. J. Lewis Luckenbach, President of the American Bureau of Shipping, announced today that the Bureau plans to send a technical surveyor to Japan because it expected early revival of shipbuilding there under United States Government auspices.

He reported to the semi-annual meeting of the organization's Board of Managers that the Bureau's business in foreign ports "considerably exceeded" expectations in volume.—United Press.

DANUBE CONFERENCE EXPECTED TO FLOP

London, July 28.

Diplomatic circles in London today were extremely sceptical of the chances of success of the Danubian conference, due to open tomorrow in Belgrade.

In addition to the United States, Britain and France, the conference will be attended by representatives of six totalitarian countries—the Ukraine, Rumania, Hungary, Yugoslavia, Czechoslovakia and Austria, the latter country being represented by an observer.

A last minute request by Greece to be allowed to participate in the conference has existed, certain embarrassment in British circles since Greek participation had not been provided for under the agreement on the Danubian conference signed by the United States, Britain and France on Dec. 7, 1940.

The object of the conference will be to make navigation on the Danube "as free as on the sea," to quote Mr. Ernest Bevin's own declaration on the subject during the Paris conference in October, 1940.

A total of 3,500 river craft, 2,400 of which belonged to riparian countries, were using the Danube before the war. Navigation between the western and eastern portions of this vital waterway in Central and Eastern Europe has practically been halted since 1945.

British Claims In Siam

Bangkok, July 29.

The British Commonwealth Claims Committee announced today that claims against the Siamese government under the terms of postwar treaties may now be lodged.

Although March 31, 1949, has been set as the deadline for filing claims, claimants are urged to complete their forms as soon as possible in order to allow ample time for examination, reference back to claimants where necessary, and for transmission to the Siamese Government.

Property claims to be covered are "as in respect of property under terms of the formal agreement between the United Kingdom, India and Siam, dated January 1, 1940, and of the final peace agreement between Australia and Siam, dated April 3, 1946."—United Press.

Strike Violence In Ohio

Dayton, Ohio, July 28.

Seven were injured in the third consecutive day of violence at the gates of the strike-bound plant of Valia Company.

Five injured, including two officials of the striking CIQ United Electrical Workers Union, suffered head injuries in a battle between 150 policemen and 200 pickets.

Two policemen are being treated in hospital for injured hands. Five injured union members along with three union sympathizers were arrested by the police.—United Press.

TAFT ATTACK ON PRESIDENT

Washington, July 28.

The Chairman of the Senate Republican Policy Committee, Senator Robert Taft, said today that President Truman's recall of Congress was only a "political manoeuvre."

He said the President did not want to reduce prices before the elections. Senator Taft said Mr. Truman's attempt to blame the Republicans for high prices were "demagoguery." He charged that the Democrats themselves were responsible because of their spending programmes.

The House Republican leader, Representative Charles Halleck, said that Mr. Truman was guilty of a "vicious and completely unjustified attack on Congress." He said the attack was "obviously so political and so petty as to reduce further his already rapidly disappearing support among the people."

The President does not lack the power to reduce prices," said Senator Taft. "The fact is, he doesn't want to reduce prices—certainly not before election. He wants votes from the farmers for high farm prices. He wants votes from the workman for high wages."

Both Senator Taft and Rep. Halleck criticized the President's failure to consult Republican leaders before recalling Congress and for announcing his move from the platform of the Democratic National Convention at Philadelphia.

"Police State"

However, they both said Congress would do "whatever may be found necessary" to handle problems of an emergency nature.

Senator Taft renewed earlier charges that the President's anti-inflation programme would mean adoption of "police state" methods. He said it would have only these results:

1. "Choke production" instead of increasing it and increase black market activities similar to those found under the old Office of Price Administration programme.

2. "Little men" struggling inadequately with a job of economic control which "nobody knows enough to do."

3. Price control and rationing would fail because neither policy could work in the United States in peace time.

Senator Taft said President Truman was only asking for price and wage control powers because he knew that "no reasonable man would give him such power."

He added that he believed the President knew it would not be granted and that Mr. Truman's stand was a "complete surrender" to those "so tempted to stray away to support Henry Wallace."—United Press.

EMBARGO ON TONY BROOKE

London, July 28.

The reason for the embargo on Mr. Anthony Brooke, nephew of the former Rajah of Sarawak, visiting Sarawak "still holds good."

Mr. David Rees Williams, Under-Secretary of State for the Colonies, said this in a Parliamentary reply today.

He was not able to say when it would be lifted.

Sir Thomas Moore, Conservative: "Are the Government so distrustful of their policy or so uncertain of its result that they are frightened to let this young man go back to his own people?"

"It may be expediency; it is not democracy."

Mr. Rees Williams said the matter was fully debated on Feb. 18 and the Government's reasons given.—Reuter.

PREMIERE OF "HAMLET"

New York, July 28.

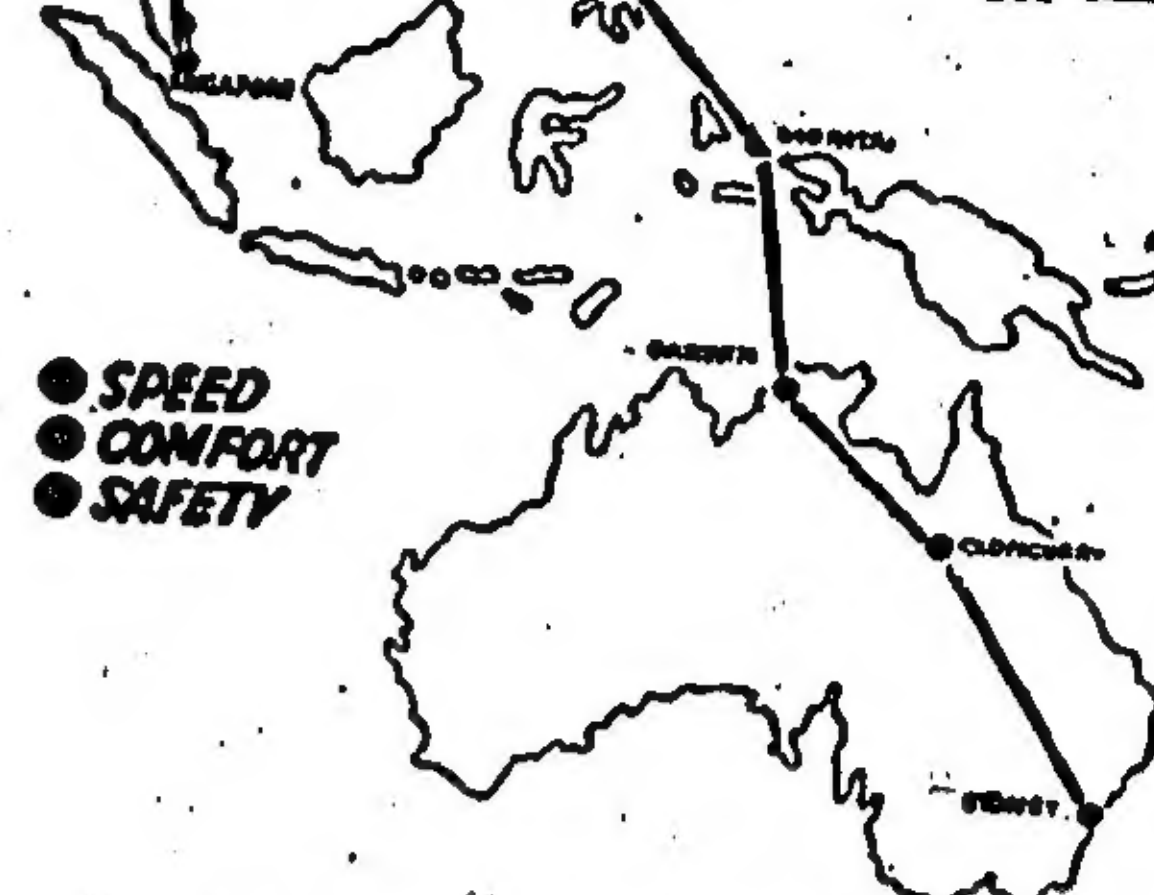
Arthur Rank's office announced tonight that "Hamlet" will make its American premiere on Aug. 18 at Boston without a single deletion.

A spokesman for the Rank organisation said both Boston City censors and the Massachusetts State censors approved the picture without cuts despite reports that there would be exceptions to scenes and dialogue.—Associated Press.

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PALESTINE:

BOTH SIDES ALLEGE TRUCE VIOLATION

Jerusalem, July 28.

The Arabs and Jews both complained to the United Nations Truce Commission today that the other side had violated the armistice in Jerusalem.

The Jews also alleged that Egyptians attacked a supply convoy in the Hatto-Karatiyn area and that Israel forces took the offensive in the presence of U.N. observers.

An Israeli spokesman asserted the Arabs attacked Jewish positions on Mount Zion and killed a soldier and wounded 12 in dynamiting a Jewish building.

The Stern group newspaper Mivrah said Mr. Peter Mannasse, one of its staff, was shot by an Arab sniper in the Jewish quarter yesterday.

The Arabs accused the Jews of firing mortars into the Old City. They said the Jewish building was blown up by an "accidental explosion caused by the Jews."

The Israeli Cabinet conferred in Tel Aviv on its answer to a proposal by Count Folke Bernadotte, U.N. mediator, that Jerusalem be demilitarized and put under international rule.

Sources close to the Government said there is "every likelihood the plan will be accepted in principle, subject to negotiation of details." Foreign Minister Moshe Shertok has been sharply critical of the plan.

Cache Found

Hebrew newspapers gave prominent display to the growing dispute over the status of Jerusalem. Hamishki, the Irgun Zval Leumi paper, admonished Jerusalem Jews "not to accept a Military Government unless you have full guarantees that Israel will not give up the city."

Police discovered an underground store of arms ammunition in the offices of the Arab Na-

tional Committee in Jaffa. The head of the office had signed the surrender terms when Jaffa was captured by the Jews three months ago.

A United Nations observer who visited Jaffa saw the arms cache, which included "Molotov cocktails," rifles, grenades, bombs and considerable ammunition.

The Military Governor of Jaffa ordered the members of the Arab National Committee to confine themselves to their homes.

The headquarters of Count Bernadotte, the U.N. mediator, announced in Rhodes today that the Latrun pumping station, an important link in Jerusalem's water supply, would go under United Nations control.

In No Man's Land

The Arab and Jewish forces in the Latrun area had agreed to give the U.N. Truce observers the control of the station which is in "no man's land" between the Arab and Jewish lines.

Details of the agreement and of U.N. operation of the station are now being worked out, the Count's headquarters announced.

The U.S. destroyer O'Hare left Rhodes for Haifa today carrying new radio communications to link together observer teams in Palestine, in nearby Arab states and in Rhodes.

Sixteen commercial radio operators engaged in New York also left aboard the O'Hare, Associated Press and United Press.

Position Of Eire

Dublin, July 28.

Mr. John Costello, Fire Minister, in Parliament today defined Eire's constitutional position as "a sovereign, independent state associated with the British Commonwealth of Nations."

He said Eire had ceased formally to be a member of the British Commonwealth, but was associated with the other members.

The process by which Eire had ceased to be a member had been one of gradual development, the Premier said.

Mr. Costello was replying to an Independent Republican member who asked when and under what circumstances Eire ceased to be a Commonwealth country.—Reuter.

BALKAN PLAN SHELVED

Belgrade, July 28.

Joseph Vido, President of the National Proletariat, proclaimed today that all plans for a future Balkan Federation with Bulgaria and Albania will be dropped.

"owing to the changes which took place in relations with the two countries."

The 72-year-old revolutionary did not use the word "Balkan Federation." But in his morning speech to the Communist Party Congress he said "I propose in the name of the project committee of the Congress that the whole part of the future programme dealing with future relations with these countries be omitted."—Associated Press.

DANISH PLANE CRASH

Frankfurt, July 28.

A Danish aircraft crashed yesterday, but the French security authorities only permitted the news to be released today.

The aircraft crashed at Dreisach, near Freiburg.

The victims, six passengers, were placed in coffins tonight.

The scene of the accident was still guarded tonight by French gendarmes so that the aircraft could not be identified.—Reuter.

CINEMA WORLD

NO MORE "COLOSSALS" FROM BRITAIN

Award of an Oscar to the British picture "Great Expectations" isn't expected to change the policy forced on British films by Government pressure and the development of circumstances since last August.

"Great Expectations" was a big, expensive prestige picture in the shape of an Oscar—but which British needs more than prestige is dollars.

And British films in the United States are not earning anything like the number of dollars once hoped for from them.

According to a statement made by Board of Trade President Harold Wilson to the Association of Cinematograph Technicians here recently, net earnings of British films in the United States in 1947 amounted to no more than \$4,000,000.

This is to be compared with normal American film earnings in Britain of \$75,000,000.

Outstanding

Even under the new regulations governing the import of American pictures into Britain, Hollywood still will take \$17,000,000 of British money every year. In the recent past, Britain has concentrated on making huge and costly films designed to raise its reputation in the world's film market. Outstanding among these have been "Henry V." and especially, "Caesar and Cleopatra."

This policy of making the best pictures it could, regardless of cost, was expected to bring prosperity to British films. But to do so British films had to capture the substantial part of the American market. They have so far failed to do so.

Outside Profits

The maximum sum of money a British film can earn in Britain is \$1,200,000. Therefore no film which costs more than this sum to make can be sure of success.

The question before the British film industry is whether it shall continue to produce huge films in the hope that in the future it will get secure footing in the United States or revert to small-

er, cheaper pictures that can make profit within the British market.

British pictures, therefore, from now on are expected to be less ambitious in scale than hitherto. The grandiose concep-

tions of the Gabriel Pascal who made "Caesar and Cleopatra" are likely to be watered down. Instead of the drums and trumpets of the battle scenes and tapestries of Oliver's, it's probable we shall find British studios concentrating on domestic settings like those of "Seventh Veil," and "Brief Encounter."

SHADOWS BEFORE

"RIDE THE PINK HORSE" (King's).

Stars: Robert Montgomery, Wanda Hendrix.

Story: The novel with this peculiar title, from which the film was adapted, was written by Dorothy B. Hughes, which ensures that there will be action and a lot of toughness. Blackie Gagin (Robert Montgomery) goes to Mexico seeking revenge on Hugo (Fred Clark), "master crook." He is befriended in the small town by an Indian girl Pila (Wanda Hendrix) and Pancho, a Mexican. Gagin manages to resist Andrea King, who plays Hugo's girlfriend, get himself beaten up, and still come out on top. Robert Montgomery also directed this thriller. (Universal-International.)

"MINE OWN EXECUTIONER" (King's).

Stars: Burgess Meredith, Dulcie Gray, Kieron Moore.

Story: "Mine Own Executioner" tells how a lay psychiatrist, Felix Milne (Burgess Meredith), takes on a serious case of a man whose mind is deranged by war experiences, and fails to prevent a tragedy because his own domestic troubles are of more interest to him than his patient. Kieron Moore plays Adam Lucan, who tries to strangle his wife during a brainstorm, and eventually is driven to suicide when the treatment undertaken by Milne fails, with horrible finality. Barbara White, who made a hit as the young school girl in "Quiet Weekend," plays Molly Lucan, Adam's wife. (London Films.)

"ADVENTURES OF CASANOVA" (Queen's).

Stars: Arturo de Cordova, Lucille Bremer.

Story: Sicily, in the late eighteenth century, is starving under the oppression of King of Naples and his governors. The local patriots call in Casanova (Cordova) to help them fight for food, and Casanova takes over control of the patriots, the governor's palace and the food stores. He also falls in love with the Lady Bianca (Lucille Bremer), the governor's daughter, who is promised to Count de Brissac (John Sutton).

"MARKED WOMAN" (Leo).

Stars: Bette Davis, Humphrey Bogart.

Story: Mary (Bette Davis), a hard-boiled night-club hostess, refuses to pay the new owners of the night-club "protection money" when they turn it into a "clip joint" (where the main business is swindling the customers, sometimes legally but mostly not). In the end she gives in and pays, and then all the girls working there are involved in a murder investigation. Mary finds out that her younger sister has been killed, and confronts the owner of the club. She is beaten up, and finally takes her troubles to the District Attorney (Humphrey Bogart). He deals effectively with the racketeers. (Warner Bros.)

"THE SEARCH" (Queen's).

Stars: Montgomery Clift, Ivan Jandt.

Story: This is a superb story of a mother's hunt for her child through the stark ruins of post-war Germany and the dry, coldly-organized displaced-children's camps scattered over the devastated areas. The film is treated partly as the story of the mother, who finds clues where none seem to exist and chases them until the trail ends again in hopelessness, only to start once again. The other half is the story of the little boy, Karel Malik, befriended by a G. I., Mr. Stevenson, and who searches for his mother as desperately as she for him. (M-G-M.)

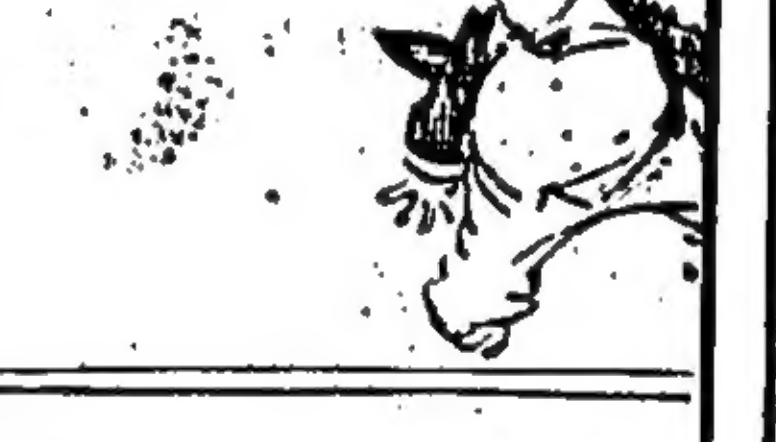
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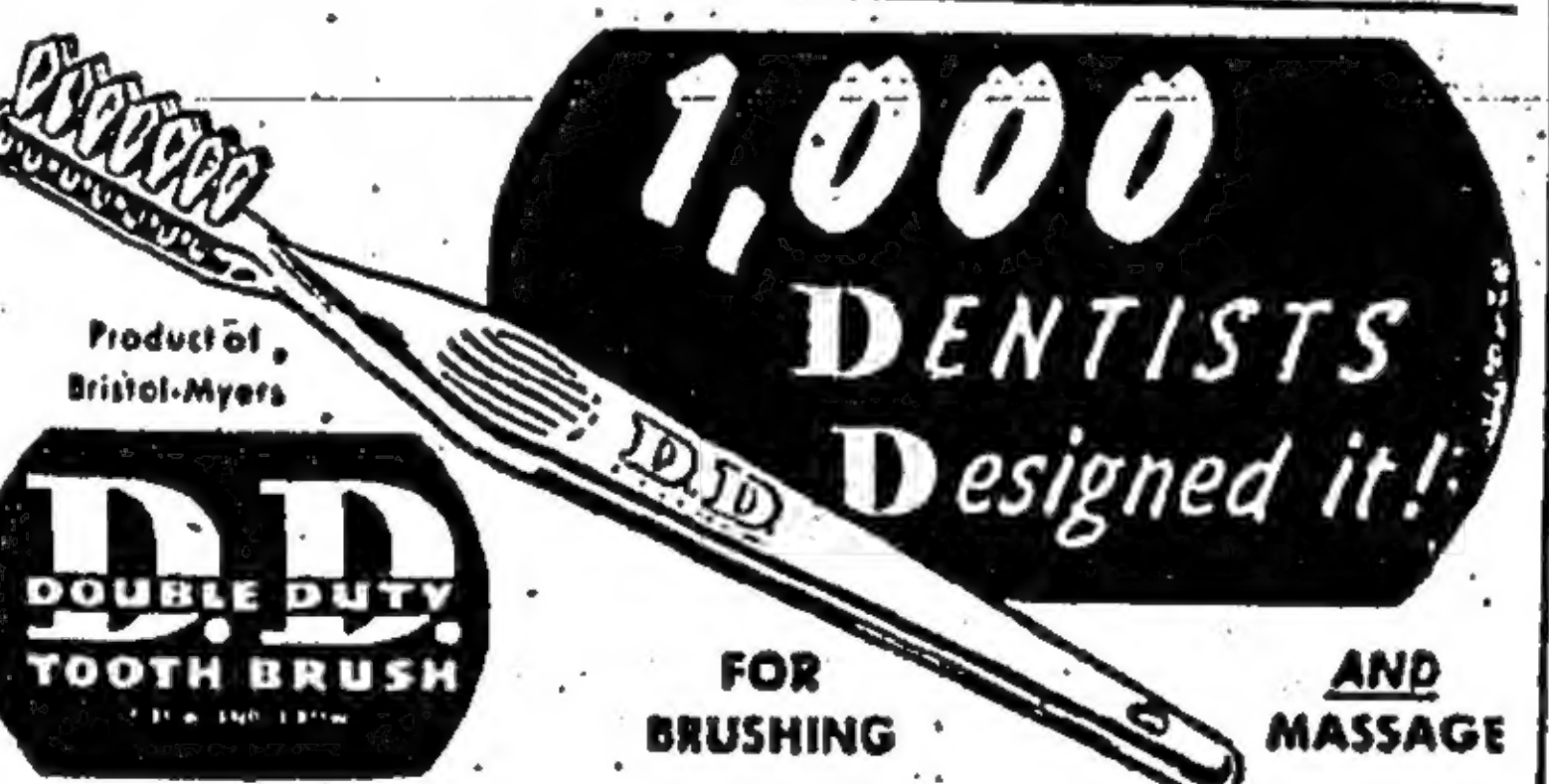
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ENVOYS TO SEE MOLOTOV**Presentation Of Case On Berlin****Blockade Must Be Lifted: Talks May Follow**

London, July 28. Authoritative sources said tonight that an offer will be made to the Russian Foreign Minister V. M. Molotov of the three Western Powers in a verbal communication tomorrow.

They will make it plain that any Four-Power talk could come only after the lifting of the Russian blockade and Russian recognition of the right of the Western Powers to stay in Berlin.

British sources said that if Molotov accepts, the Western Allies may agree not only to hold Four-Power talks but to suspend the setting up of a unified state in their zones of Germany.

The Allied plan was understood to be: 1. British Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin will make a statement in the House of Commons on Thursday before the Allied Ambassadors visit Molotov to lay the basis for steps to come.

2. The Western envoys in Moscow will call on a group of Molotov. They are: Gen. Walter Bedell Smith, American Ambassador; Yves Chataignier, French Ambassador; and Frank Roberts, Mr. Bevin's principal private secretary who left London today on his mission.

3. The Western envoys will present the case for the lifting of the blockade and friendly settlement of Berlin's crisis in a personal conference with Molotov. The envoys then will leave an aide memoire which will constitute an unofficial note. The aide memoire will be discussed and agreed on here in conferences earlier this week.

Conciliatory

The envoys are not expected to go into details regarding the European conference but will await Molotov's reaction, and European problems which might be discussed besides those in Germany will not be specified.

But among them are the Austrian treaty, Trieste and Italy. This authoritative outline indicates that the Western nations have agreed to bend over backward to be conciliatory toward Russia and give her a chance to get out of the Berlin situation gracefully.

In Washington, Mr. George C. Marshall, the American Secretary of State, told correspondents that the United States, Britain and France had reached full agreement on the next steps to be taken concerning the Berlin situation.

He said that discussions on the subject would be carried out through ordinary diplomatic channels and, for the present, would remain a secret.

He categorically denied that the United States Government intended to "put aside for the time being the plan for the political and economic unification of western Germany, should quadripartite talks take place with Russia on the German problem as a whole."

Today Or Tomorrow

Mr. Marshall said that General Clay (American Military Governor in Germany) and he were determined to have the London recommendations on Germany swiftly carried out. The Secretary of State refused to comment on press reports stating that the "United States and Britain had 'mitigated' their attitude towards the Soviet Union."

Mr. Marshall also disclosed that tripartite verbal representa-

SPLIT IN BERLIN'S POLICE FORCE

Berlin, July 28. Berlin's city police force was officially split tonight as Johannes Stumm, new police president, announced that offices had been moved from the Russian sector to the American sector.

He asked the Berlin policemen to be "loyal to the city constitution" and report to the new headquarters immediately. The split came only a couple of hours after the Mayoress, Frau Louise Schroeder, openly defied unilateral orders of the Russian commandant, Col. Kotikov.

The ousted police chief, Paul Markgraf, immediately issued a counter-statement that the headquarters would remain in the Soviet sector.

Markgraf charged that "reactionary forces" had split the police and commanded that "all orders and appeals by these splitting elements are illegal and must not be followed."

Cairo Store Bombed

Cairo, July 28. A bomb exploded at David Aude clothing store in the centre of Cairo today.

Eye-witnesses told the United Press there were no casualties. The store is British-registered.

According to eye-witnesses, a bomb was believed to have been placed on the first floor. They said it exploded at about 5 p.m. which was closing time.

A few windows in the vicinity were shattered. United Press.

thons to M. Molotov would not be made before Friday or Saturday next.

Discussions between the State Department and the Ambassadors of the five signatory Powers of the Brussels Pact on eventual American support to those countries, he said, were progressing. He added, however, that the discussions had not yet gone beyond the preliminary stage.

United Press and Agence France-Press.

British Policy On Israel

London, July 28. Britain will judge the Jewish state's case for recognition on its own merits according to the normal criterion of international law.

This was stated in the Commons today by Mr. Ernest Bevin, the Foreign Secretary, in answer to a question whether he now proposed to recognise the state of Israel.

Asked if it was still the Government's policy not to be a party to the enforcement of any solution in Palestine which was unacceptable to either Arabs or Jews, Mr. Bevin said: "There has been no change in the policy of the Government. We are still working for a settlement in Palestine based upon the acquiescence of both Arabs and Jews."

Britain was taking up with the Security Council today the "terrible situation" in which the Arabs had found themselves after being driven from their homes in the Jewish occupied parts of Palestine, Mr. Bevin added.

—Reuter.

Labour Demands In Australia

Sydney, July 28. Melbourne tramway men want a 35-hour week and Sydney postal workers are asking for Saturday closing of post offices.

The Tramway Union says it has not had a new award or contract since 1925 and it now intends to apply for one. The union also wants four weeks annual leave, sick pay for all time off duty and increased long service leave.

The New South Wales Postal Workers' Union asks for Saturday closing because of "introduction of automatic telegraphic devices and postage stamp selling machines. It is threatening a one day strike to force its claim, but branches of the union in other states oppose direct action."—United Press.

P.I. AMNESTY EXTENSION

Manila, July 28. Judge Antonio Quirino, the President's brother, who acted as mediator in the recent successful Huk-Government negotiations, was reported today as having told a reporter that the Presidential amnesty proclamation will be extended another 15 days.

This is to enable the Huk and PKM to have every opportunity to present themselves to the authorities, according to Judge Quirino. The new extension will be the second one, the first extension being until July 31.—Reuter.

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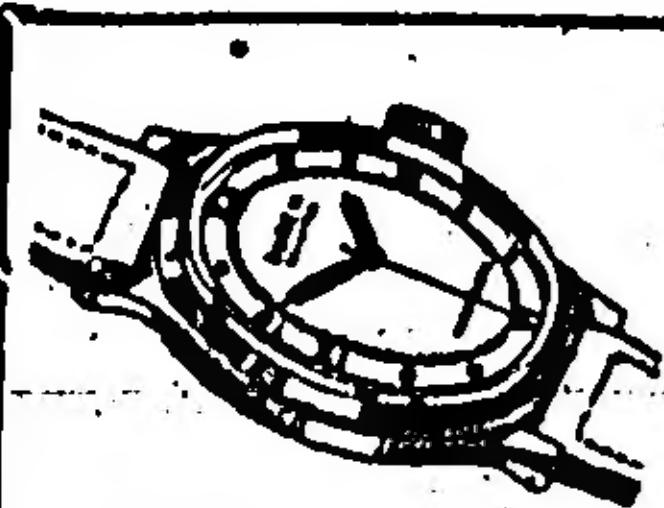
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MYSTERY BEARER

London, July 29.
The mystery bearer of the Olympic torch in the last lap in Wembley Stadium was John Mark, an athlete from Cambridge University.
The torch reached Wembley Stadium 15 minutes ahead of schedule.—Reuter.

PREMIER'S WELCOME

London, July 28.
The Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, broadcasting a welcome in the name of the British people to the 6,000 men and women contestants in the Olympic Games, declared: "May the weather be fine, the events well contested and may records be broken."

He said that friendship was the keynote of the Games, and hoped the Games may prove to be an opportunity for cementing friendship between the men and women of the different nations "and so to increase international understanding."

"We need to take every positive step we can to counteract the evil results which flow from war. Some of our guests come from countries that have suffered, others from lands that have been fortunate in escaping the war's ravages."

"All can see here, in this London of ours, which is proud to be the host today, the marks of suffering and loss."

"Sports today are truly international," he said, "and a common love of sports creates a bond of friendship between men and women separated by distance and by the lack of a common language. It steps over all frontiers."

Britain would do her best to make the visits of her friends as happy as possible.
"If there is anything lacking, it is not goodwill. We have a housing shortage and food difficulties which do not permit us to do all we should wish," the Prime Minister added.—Reuter.

TORCH WENT OUT

Dover, July 28.
The Olympic torch, kindled 11 days ago in the historic village of Olympia, in Greece, was carried across the English Channel this evening in the British destroyer Bicester, but immediately on its arrival here it went out.

The petty officer carrying the torch on the first lap of its journey from Dover to Wembley had taken only a few paces when this occurred, but the torch was relit from the flame of a second torch carried from Olympia in case of such an emergency.

The flame, which will be used to light the Olympic fire at the opening ceremony of the Games at Wembley tomorrow, was then received before a huge crowd of more than 50,000 holiday makers. During a short ceremony of welcome, a message from the President of the International Olympic Committee was read and then the Mayor handed the torch to the next runner to take it on the last stage of its 2,000-mile journey.

Princess Elizabeth today received the 1,400 years old Greek lamp from which was lighted the Olympic torch.
The lamp was handed over by Commander F. W. Collins, the representative of the British Organising Committee on behalf of the Greek Olympic Committee.
The Princess said the lamp provided not only a link between the traditions of the ancient Greek games and the ideal of the present Games, but once again gave an expression to the close friendship relations between Britain and Greece.—Reuter.

Dover, July 28.
Gianni Gambi, 40-year-old Italian distance swimmer, was picked up exhausted on the beach today after swimming the English Channel in 12 hours, 30 minutes.—Associated Press.

Pageantry And March Past In Front Of 60,000

London, July 29.
Fifteen trumpeters of the Royal Household Cavalry marched under a broiling sun into the Wembley arena promptly at 1.00 p.m. (GMT) today, sounded a fanfare and began the opening ceremonies of the 14th Olympiad.

As the thermometer crept past 90 degrees Fahrenheit, 30,000 spectators had already gathered in the great stadium and doffed off jackets and protected their heads from the sun with a motley collection of umbrellas, sunshades and coloured handkerchiefs.

The strident notes of the silver trumpets died away and onto the emerald sward came the massed bands of the Guards, marching up and down with drums, fifes and pipers playing.

Then a massed choir of men and women clad from head to foot in white joined the bands in a great symphony of music.

When King George arrived the crowd had increased to some 60,000, which meant that Wembley Stadium was 20,000 under capacity.

King George was accompanied by Lord Portal, President of the Games—himself an Olympic hurdler—and was introduced to Lord Burghley, Chairman of the Organising Committee, and Mrs. Sigfrid Edstrom, Chairman of the International Olympic Committee.

Among those in the Royal Box were the Duke and Duchess of Gloucester, Prince Edward of the Netherlands, Lord and Lady Mountbatten, the Shah of Persia and Mr. Trygve Lie, Secretary-General of the United Nations.

King George was in the uniform of an admiral of the Fleet. He stood for the salute facing the Tribune of Honour while the British National Anthem was played. A mighty cheer rose from the stadium as the King shook hands with members of the Olympic Committee.

The next scene in the great pageant was the march past of athletes from 59 nations.

As the clock struck 3.00 p.m. the marchers were lined up in the "March of the Gladiators" into the stadium, marched the Greek team, an honour given them as originators of the Games.

Proud Chinese

After the Greeks came the Chinese in green blazers with flannel trousers and grey astrakhan caps, followed by the other national groups in alphabetical order.

A loud cheer greeted the arrival of 10 Burmese in dark blue blazers and grey flannels. They were followed by another 10-man delegation from Ceylon dressed in dark blue and grey, and then the Chinese, who swept proudly past the base.

The Indian team were especially impressive in their pale blue turbans, blue blazers, white trousers and brown shoes.

For the first time in the Olympiad the new national flag went before King George.

The crowd was surprised at the size of the Korean delegation from a country whose prowess in international sports is so little known in Europe. Quietly dressed in pearl grey, they looked smart and marched perfectly.

The Indians and Koreans were followed by athletes from nations as far apart as Liechtenstein and Mexico. And then came the Pakistanis.

Competing in the Olympics for the first time, the Pakistanis received an ovation, looking very smart in their dark green blazers and pale green turbans and white flannels.

The one-man Singapore team—high jumper Lloyd Valberg got big cheer as he marched alone past King George. Behind him marched the Springboks, the hardy men and women from South Africa in their famous green and white.

Marching five abreast, the monster United States team of more than 400 competitors took one and a half minutes to pass the King.

Last of all came Great Britain, who, as host of the Games, followed in the rear of the competing nations. The British

which was taken on behalf of all the athletes by the famous British hurdler, Wing Commander Donal Finlay.

The Oath

He said: "We swear that we take part in the Olympic Games in loyal competition, respecting the regulations which govern them and desiring of particular in them the true spirit of sportsmanship, to the honour of our country and to the glory of sport."

He gave the oath holding a corner of the Union Jack in one hand and with his right arm outstretched in the Olympic salute.

Then the members of all teams signified their acceptance of the oath by raising their right hand.

The British National Anthem was played again and the flag, at all nations dipped—by the Standard-bearers.

The flag-bearers then joined their teams and out of the stadium marched the top athletes of 59 nations to prepare for the 17 days' festival of sport which began with two water polo matches tonight.

The teams left the stadium in the order in which they had entered and soon the great arena was empty. The only sign left of the stirring ceremony was the banner and the Olympic flame blazing and leaping a dozen feet into the air from its concrete cup.—Reuter.

Hockey Draw

India has been drawn in group A for the Olympic hockey tournament in the revised draw announced tonight. Spain, Austria and Argentina complete their group.

Thirteen nations are competing. Poland, Hungary, Czechoslovakia having been left out as nothing was heard from their Olympic Committee.

The teams have been drawn into three groups. Within each group every team plays every other team. Points will be awarded for wins and draws and the most points will go into the semi-final.

Pakistan are drawn in Group C, together with Holland, France, Belgium and Denmark.

The full groups:—
Group A: India, Spain, Austria, Argentina, Switzerland, the United States.

Group B: Great Britain, France, Belgium, Denmark, India.

Group C: Pakistan, Poland, Hungary, Czechoslovakia, having been left out as nothing was heard from their Olympic Committee.

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Olympic Stamp Issue

London, July 28.
British post offices will have on sale tomorrow a special issue of postage stamps to commemorate the 14th Olympic Games which open at the Empire Stadium, Wembley, tomorrow.

The special issue consists of four denominations: 2½d, 3d, 6d and one shilling. The air letter form is printed with a replica of the special 6d adhesive stamp.

All four stamps are double the normal size and differ in design but each is symbolic. They all incorporate the words "Olympic Games 1948" and the Olympic symbol.—Reuter.

TIGERS IN THE LEAD

New York, July 28.

The Detroit Tigers put a violent end today to the year's longest winning streak in the major leagues. They shelled three Boston Red Sox pitchers for 18 hits to submerge the American League leaders—winner of their last 13 games—13-0.

But even in defeat, the Red Sox clung to first place by a narrow margin of four percentage points over the Philadelphia Athletics.

Two eighth inning runs on an outfield error enabled the Athletics to edge the Cleveland Indians 4-3.

The victory moved the Philadelphia Athletics into second place ahead of the tribu, Cleveland's ace, Bob Lemon, was the losing pitcher.

Ralph Hodgins batted in both runs as the last place Chicago White Sox edged Washington 2-1.

Marino Piretti turned in a hitler against his former Washington team.

The Brooklyn Dodgers routed the St. Louis Cardinals 12-4 to solidify their grip on second place in the National League.

The Cards dropped into a third place with New York.

Yankee Giants to a 5-0 victory over Cincinnati, limiting the Reds to just three single.

Cincinnati went hitless from third to eighth inning.

The Philadelphia Phillies cut loose with a barrage of extra base hits including three home runs as they defeated the Chicago Cubs 9-4. It was their first victory under manager Eddie Sawyer.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Will Revive Hockey Association

A meeting of Hockey representatives will be called shortly to revive the Hong Kong Hockey Association.

Mr. A.E.F. Guest said that nine clubs have signified their willingness to take part in a league, if formed.

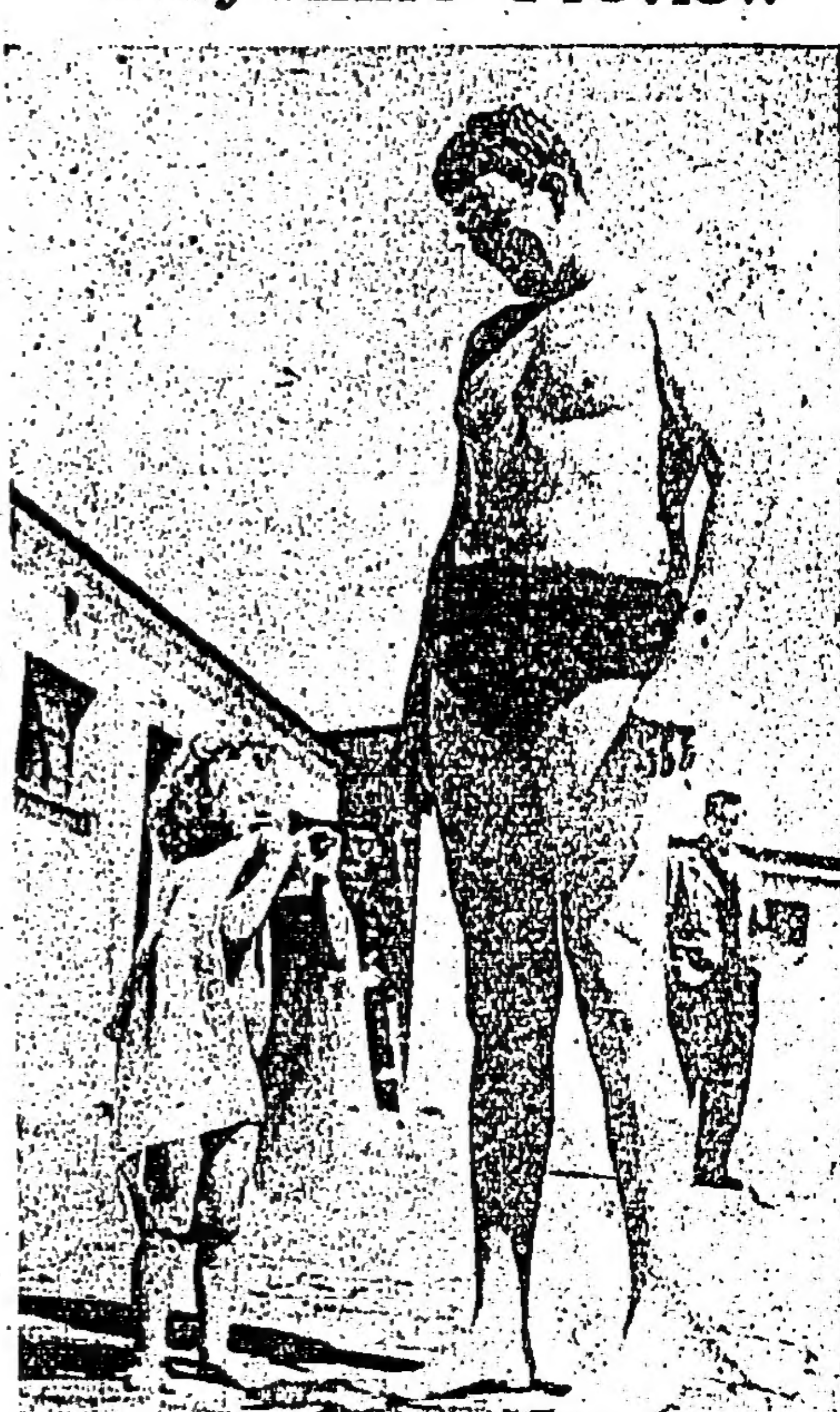
The clubs are, Royal Navy, Royal Air Force, Army, Police, Cable and Wireless, Club de Regatta, Kowloon Hockey Club, European Civil Servants, and a team from the various Dutch firms.

Games will probably be played on Sunday mornings, and with four games each Sunday there should be no difficulty with grounds.

Soccer Draw

The draw for the first round of the Olympic soccer tournament beginning on July 31 was announced today as follows:

Sally-Ann's Preview



Little three-year-old Sally-Ann Faithfull, of Ruislip, Middlesex, who was watching the U.S. Water-Polo Olympic Members doing their training in the pool at the Uxbridge Competitors' Camp in Middlesex, stops to look up at six-foot and five-inch, 240-pounds, Goalie Ralph Budelman from Chicago, Illinois, one of the team. She wonders whether she will ever be as big.—(AP Photo).

My Babu, The Cobbler Have Win At Last

Goodwood, July 28.
A record crowd of over 50,000, grilling in the sweltering heat, saw two of Britain's best known three-year-old colts, the Gaekwar of Baroda's My Babu and Lieutenant Colonel Giles Loder's The Cobbler, easily win their respective races here this afternoon.

My Babu, at three to one on, accounted for his solitary opponent, Pride of India, by a length in the one-mile Sussex Stakes, and The Cobbler, at odds of 11 to 2 on, gave Gordon Richards an easy ride when having six lengths to spare over his nearest rival in the five-furlong Hainkner Stakes.

My Babu, who is second favourite at five to one for the St. Leger, Britain's last classic, pleased his trainer, Sam Armstrong, immensely by his performance.

Big Race

The big race of the day, the two-mile, three-furlong Goodwood Stakes, was won by Mrs. Alec Johnstone's grand stayer, the 100 to 8 chance, Aurilla, who beat northern-trained Billet by a head in an intensely exciting finish with the seven-year-old Grenlin, the mount of Gordon Richards, four lengths away third of a field of 15 runners.

Aurilla, a five-year-old son of The Batrap out of Ajra, thus set the seal upon a remarkable career for, splendidly ridden by Douglas Smith, he carried a top weight of nine stone six pounds to victory.

Aurilla, a grey horse, sired by a sprinter, cost only 60 guineas as a foal. After the race, his trainer, Reg Day, said he had decided to keep Aurilla at Goodwood in case anything happens to prevent M. Marcel Boussac's champion stayer, Arad, from competing in the valuable Goodwood Cup tomorrow.

Bold Effort

Whiteway winner of the Cesarewitch Handicap last year, who was favourite at 100 to 30, made a bold effort under nine stone four pounds and only faltered inside the last furlong. He finished fourth.

Look Ahead, the mount of Edgar Smith, who led for the first mile, broke down as did two other well-backed horses, Gallant Scott and Pappaton.

In the last race of the day, France scored her first success at the meeting when M. Marcel Boussac's two-year-old Ambiorix, a 10 to 1 chance, outstayed away with the six-furlong Selcey Stakes.

Davis Cup

Czechs In Inter-Zone Final

Prague, July 28.
Czechoslovakia will meet either Australia or Mexico in the inter-Zone final at Boston on Aug. 18, 20 and 21 for the right of opposing the United States in the Davis Cup challenge round.

Today, the Czechs made certain of success in the European Zone when they won the doubles against Sweden and, having taken yesterday's two singles, they lead by three matches to zero with two singles to be played tomorrow.

In the doubles, Jozsef Drobny and Vladimir Cernik, who had won their singles yesterday, beat Lennart Bergelin and Torsten Johansson 6-2, 6-1, 6-2.

The collapse of the Swedish pair was somewhat surprising and it was their mistakes as much as good play by the Czechs which resulted in such an easy victory.

The Swedes fell into errors early, Bergelin playing particularly badly in the second set and becoming worse in the third. Drobny was in his best form and Cernik produced better form than usual, being inspired by the successful early shots when the Swedes tried to keep the play to Cernik, admittedly the weaker of the two home players.—Reuter.

WEEKEND BOWLING

The following have been selected to represent Crayke-gover Cricket Club on Saturday at 4 p.m.:

1st Division v. Club de Reccle (home): J.W. Leonard, L.C.H. Souza, A.E. Costes and D.W. Bradbury (skip); J.M. Omar, W. Hong Sling, A.M. Omar and J.B. Landolt (skip); A.A. Raseck, M.A. Bap-tista, K.M. Omar and U.M. Omar (skip).
2nd Division v. Frisco Officers Club (home): J.W. Leonard, L.C.H. Souza, A.E. Costes, C.W. Lam, J.N. Wong and A.J. Coelho (skip); J.H. Xavier, A.M. Bum-jahn, G.A. Souza and M.J. Medina (skip).
Reserves: S.A.R. Bux and G.A. Coelho.
Second Division Players are to meet at the Club at 3 p.m. Arrangements will be made for transportation to Stanley.
H.K.F.C.

1st Team v. K.B. Green Club at R.B.G. at 4 p.m.: J.B. Howell, J.O. Gray, J. Bradley and N. Robinson (skip); J.E. Hayward, B. Rickford, C. Gough and K. Robertson (skip); D.A. Mansell, Dr. J. Selby, J.W. Dickson and L.A. Collyer (skip).

2nd Division v. K.B. Green Club (home) at 4 p.m.: R. Barker, T. Morgan, C. Strange and G. Willerton (skip); W. Ritchie, A. Bailey, G. Carr and J. Forrow (skip); L.F. Hamley, E. Strang, T. Walter and A. Coleman (skip).

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